

Medicine Hat Soccer Association

Board Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2020

Present: Jeff Vangen, Hugh Lehr, Charlene Gilmore Shauf, Dean Studer, Pete Innes, Robert Cavicchia, Devin Simon

Staff: N/A

Absent: Trevor Copeman

Guests: Pat MacIntosh, John MacIntosh, Doug Thomson, Melissa Hozack


Next meeting: April 6, 2020 7:00 p.m. Location: MHC, Room TBD

	Action Item
1. Call to Order: by Jeff Vangen at 7:06 p.m.	
2. M346: Motion to approve agenda: Moved by Pete Innes, seconded by Devin Simon. Carried.	
3. M347: Motion to approve the Nov. 18, 2019 minutes, as amended: Moved by Pete Innes, seconded by Paul Laing. Carried.	
4. Matters Arising: a. SportNgin: Team reports are accurate so far. b. Soccer hut: Keys are ready to go; key management system to come. c. FLC maintenance: Waiting for reply. Concern with provincials this weekend. d. FLC cage access: Revisit at start of next indoor season before equipment is put in. e. Team travel: Check with RASC Committee; requests should probably pass through them. Limit to travel for provincials. f. Office space: Awaiting measurements. g. Referee courses: All are up and running. h. RASC Committee: Needs a board member sitting on the committee.	<i>c. Pete to check</i>
5. New Business: a. Referee pay rates: Medicine Hat still has the lowest pay rates in Alberta. Referee director requests MHSAs considers a 5% increase and will bring rates from around the province to next meeting. b. TechFit discussion brought by guests: Purpose of TechFit: to establish a common technical foundation and form of play for the club. Teams may benefit from increased communication from PDC, who leads TechFit. Technical Committee will discuss feedback and recommended that coaches communicate with PDC about their team's development and needs, as well. A survey was recently sent to coaches, for information that will help develop pathways for coach development. Regular coach meetings are planned to begin soon. c. Vacant board positions, discussion brought by guests: Suggestion was brought to simplify the director positions so they are less overwhelming to parent volunteers, or add positions for directors at large. The board will consider the recommendation for the next AGM or SGM. In the meantime, inviting a RASC Committee members to join board meetings may help to bring parent voice to the board discussions.	<i>a. Pete</i> <i>b. Tech Committee</i> <i>c. Office - note in planning for next AGM</i>



<p>d. CMSA deadlines early April. Tryouts are nearly planned; team formation and fee submission are planned.</p>	
<p>6. Accolades:</p> <p>a. Many hands helping a successful U5 and U7 season: parent coach volunteers, Tech Committee, Jack, Nick, Emily, U13 girls and boys</p> <p>b. Refs – successful indoor season</p> <p>c. Coaches of community and RASC programs – great and fun indoor season</p> <p>d. Referee mentoring efforts - positive development of young referees</p>	
<p>7. Annual Planning Calendar</p> <p>a. Everything on planning calendar is underway.</p> <p>b. Office is developing new planning calendar. Will share at next board meeting.</p> <p>c. Declarations for outdoor provincials have been sent in.</p> <p>d. Date for April community league team formation to be set.</p>	
<p>8. Executive Director Report Report submitted</p> <p>a. Middle school sponsor secured. Seeking sponsors for high school; new jerseys are needed. Sponsorship levels need to increase next year if players keep jerseys.</p> <p>b. Questions about steak fundraiser: This event was planned by the RASC Committee, to support extra equipment purchases; intention to promote as a spirit event. Suggest posters. Some parents are suggesting increasing fees instead. Feedback will be taken to RASC Committee to consider for future.</p> <p>c. Registration: Similar to last year's pattern. Reminder emails going to members and schools this week. Paperless registration, with computer available at office to support.</p>	
<p>9. Office Assistant Report No report submitted</p>	
<p>10. Player Development Coach Report submitted</p>	
<p>11. President No report submitted</p>	
<p>12. Past President Vacant Position</p>	
<p>13. Vice President Report submitted School soccer: Met with school contacts. Update FAQ circulated. Discussed where to post stats/standings to promote the league. Information about footwear needs to be circulated.</p>	
<p>14. Secretary Report submitted Brought updates from ASA AGM on boarded vs. unboarded soccer sentiments in the province; waning interest in provincial tournaments; discipline for coaches in tournaments; ASA support for grassroots soccer and player and coach development programs.</p>	
<p>15. Treasurer Vacant Position</p>	
<p>16. Senior Director No report submitted</p>	
<p>17. Equipment Director Report submitted</p>	



Old jerseys are being sent to Kenya and Uganda. Some RASC parents have inquired about having names on jerseys; not feasible as long as we reuse jerseys. FLC cage to be addressed before next indoor season.	
18. Mini Director Report submitted	
19. Minor Director No report submitted	
20. Referee Director No report submitted	
21. Fund Development Director Vacant Position	
22. Discipline Committee Update Nothing to report	
23. Bylaw Committee Update Nothing to report	
24. Tech Committee Update Report submitted a. U9 RASC development program will be starting, running July-August with the possibility of tournaments. Parent meeting to come in the next few weeks. b. RASC training sessions to increase and seasons to run longer. c. Coaching program undergoing some changes to strengthen coaching culture and development opportunities. Regular coach meetings will begin. Survey sent to gain information and perspective from coaches.	
25. Executive Committee Update No report submitted	
26. Tournament Committee Update a. No report submitted	
27. RASC Committee Update a. Report submitted	
28. M348: Motion to move in camera at 8:45 p.m. Moved by Jeff Vangen.	
29. M349: Motion to end in-camera session at 9:50 p.m. Moved by Jeff Vangen. Seconded Paul Laing.	
30. M350: Motion to adjourn at 9:57 p.m. Moved by Jeff Vangen.	
<p>Board minutes approved (April 6, 2020): Signature:</p>  <p>MHSA, Secretary, Charlene Gilmore Shauf</p>	<p>Charlene Gilmore Shauf <i>to prepare draft minutes for Office to distribute</i></p>

